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Note by the Secretary-General

1. In its resolution 50/186 of 22 December 1995, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to continue to seek the views of Member States on the possible establishment of a United Nations voluntary fund for victims of terrorism, as well as ways and means to rehabilitate the victims of terrorism and to reintegrate them into society, and to submit to the Assembly at its fifty-second session, for its consideration, a report containing comments made by Member States on the subject. The Assembly also decided to consider this question at its fifty-second session under the item entitled "Human rights questions".

2. In its resolution 1996/47 of 19 April 1996, the Commission on Human Rights requested the Secretary-General to continue to collect information on this question from all relevant sources and to make it available to the special rapporteurs and working groups concerned and to the Commission for their consideration.

3. On 31 May 1996, the Secretary-General sent a note verbale to Governments inviting them to provide information on the above-mentioned issues. At its fifty-third session, the Commission on Human Rights had before it the report of the Secretary-General (E/CN.4/1997/39), which is hereby transmitted to the General Assembly for its consideration.

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